appreciable decreases, the most notable among which is 'Public Works' which anticipates a saving of Rs. 1,07,200 out of the budget allotment of Rs. 14,30,000 chiefly due to the non-utilisation of a large portion of the amount provided under 'Irrigation.' 'Education' too anticipates a decrease in expenditure of Rs. 20,800 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 13,09,200 mainly on account of savings under ' Establishment '.

To sum up—the improvement in the revenue position to which I have already alluded and the vigilant control exercised over expenditure will, it is anticipated according to our revised estimates, leave us with a surplus of Rs. 12,80,200 as against Rs. 2,89,800 expected at the time of preparing the budget estimates for the current year.

Budget estimates of 1105.

From this vantage point, I shall now proceed to consider our anticipations of revenue for the coming year and the manner in which we propose to utilise them for the public services. Based, of course, on the assumption that such vicissitudes of Nature as the floods that threatened us in the current year would not repeat themselves so as to affect our revenue or expenditure next year, we are budgetting for a revenue of Rs. 86,09,100 and an expenditure of Rs. 85,36,000 which would leave us a small surplus of Rs. 73,100 at the close of the year. As compared with the revised estimate, the revenue, no doubt, shows a decrease of Rs. 1,79,300 and the reasons for the same will be explained in the proper place. The expenditure, on the other hand, is fixed at Rs. 10,27,800 more than that in the revised estimate of the current year to meet all the possible requirements of the people.

Receipts.

Coming to details—As already explained by me before, I think it would not be proper to follow the revised estimate of the current year in fixing the budget estimate under 'Customs' in the face of the fall in the amount realised during the year as compared with that of the previous year. It has, therefore, been fixed at Rs. 12,00,000 based on the average of the realisations during these three years. Under ' Railway ' the budget estimate has been fixed at Rs. 13,00,000 based, more or less, on the actuals of the previous year as against the revised estimate of Rs. 14,00,000 in the current year. ' Land Revenue ' anticipates a decrease of Rs. 22,500 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 12,44,600 ; the special circumstances under which the increase was anticipated in the revised estimate have already been explained. Similarly, under ' Forests ', also a fall in revenue of Rs. 56,500 from the revised estimate of

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Rs. 6,65,300 is expected, the increase in the latter having been due to special circumstances already explained. 'Salt' is still another head which exhibits a decrease of Rs. 15,600 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 5,74,000—on the basis of the average of the actuals of the previous years.

Against these decreases, we are anticipating appreciable increases chiefly under 'Abkari and Ganja', 'Tobacco', 'Interest' and 'Scientific, etc., Departments'. Mainly on account of the higher bids at the auction sales of the arrack and toddy shops as also of the tobacco shops, the receipts under 'Abkari and Ganja' and 'Tobacco' are expected to amount to Rs. 12,54,600 and Rs. 3,14,900 respectively as against the revised estimate figures of Rs. 11,39,100 and Rs. 2,65,700 under these heads. Based on the actual investments, the receipts under 'Interest' have been fixed at Rs. 2,93,200 while from 'Scientific, etc., Departments' an increased return of Rs. 19,000 over the revised estimate of Rs. 7,200 is anticipated due to the fact that manufacture on a larger scale is proposed to be undertaken next year in the Stoneware Factory. The House will be glad to hear that the tiles and bricks even now manufactured in the factory are found to be much superior and there is much demand for them already. It is also possible to manufacture on a large scale china-ware, inkstands, jars, etc.

Disbursements.

I shall now turn to our estimates of expenditure for the coming year. In doing so, I may state for the information of the House that while framing our estimates we first take into account the expenditure necessary to meet all commitments against existing establishments, as also the additional expenditure required to bring to completion or advance to a further stage schemes of departmental development already sanctioned by the Council in connection with the budgets of the current and previous years and it is only then that we consider what new commitments arising out of departmental proposals can be undertaken with due regard to the resources of our disposal. A list of such important items has been separately noted in my memorandum.

Land Revenue.—Only the usual provisions are made in the Land Revenue Department and the items that call for any special comment are those under 'Temporary Establishment.' The renewal of the Oodupilli lands is not yet complete, and the services of a Menon may be required for the whole year to complete the work. All the graduate clerks in the Department trained in survey have been absorbed in the cadre of Revenue Inspectors and it is found necessary that some more graduate

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